Notice of Allowability	Application No.	Applicant(s)		
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	Trisha U. Vu	2112		
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1. X This communication is responsive to <u>08-26-04</u> .				
2. The allowed claim(s) is/are <u>44-70</u> .				
3. 🔯 The drawings filed on 29 July 2003 are accepted by the Examiner.				
<ul> <li>4. Acknowledgment is made of a claim for foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d) or (f).</li> <li>a) All b) Some* c) None of the:  1. Certified copies of the priority documents have been received.</li> <li>2. Certified copies of the priority documents have been received in Application No.</li> <li>3. Copies of the certified copies of the priority documents have been received in this national stage application from the International Bureau (PCT Rule 17.2(a)).</li> <li>* Certified copies not received:</li> <li>Applicant has THREE MONTHS FROM THE "MAILING DATE" of this communication to file a reply complying with the requirements noted below. Failure to timely comply will result in ABANDONMENT of this application.</li> <li>THIS THREE-MONTH PERIOD IS NOT EXTENDABLE.</li> <li>5. A SUBSTITUTE OATH OR DECLARATION must be submitted. Note the attached EXAMINER'S AMENDMENT or NOTICE OF INFORMAL PATENT APPLICATION (PTO-152) which gives reason(s) why the oath or declaration is deficient.</li> <li>6. CORRECTED DRAWINGS (as "replacement sheets") must be submitted.</li> <li>(a) including changes required by the Notice of Draftsperson's Patent Drawing Review (PTO-948) attached</li> <li>1) hereto or 2) to Paper No./Mail Date</li> <li>(b) including changes required by the attached Examiner's Amendment / Comment or in the Office action of Paper No./Mail Date</li> <li>Identifying indicia such as the application number (see 37 CFR 1.84(c)) should be written on the drawings in the front (not the back) of each sheet. Replacement sheet(s) should be labeled as such in the header according to 37 CFR 1.121(d).</li> </ul>				
7. DEPOSIT OF and/or INFORMATION about the deposit of BIOLOGICAL MATERIAL must be submitted. Note the attached Examiner's comment regarding REQUIREMENT FOR THE DEPOSIT OF BIOLOGICAL MATERIAL.				
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<ul> <li>3. ☑ Information Disclosure Statements (PTO-1449 or PTO/SB/0 Paper No./Mail Date <u>08-26-03</u> </li> <li>4. ☐ Examiner's Comment Regarding Requirement for Deposit</li> </ul>	Paper No./Mail D  8), 7. ☐ Examiner's Amen  8. ☑ Examiner's Stater	Date Idment/Comment	owance	
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## Allowable Subject Matter

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1. Claims 44-70 are allowed.

The following is an examiner's statement of reasons for allowance:

Claims 44, 53, and 62 include the limitation of initially selecting the norminal retry latency of a plurality of retry latencies as a first retry latency to be used for transactions and changing the first retry latency to a different retry latency of the plurality of retry latencies responsive to latencies of N previous transactions, which is not shown by the prior art of record, in the combination as disclosed and claimed.

Any comments considered necessary by applicant must be submitted no later than the payment of the issue fee and, to avoid processing delays, should preferably accompany the issue fee. Such submissions should be clearly labeled "Comments on Statement of Reasons for Allowance."

## Conclusion

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Trisha U. Vu whose telephone number is 703-305-5959. The examiner can normally be reached on Mon-Thur and alternate Fri from 7:00am to 4:30pm.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Mark Rinehart can be reached on 703-305-4815. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 703-872-9306.

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